

# **Black Hills Volkssport Association (BHVA)**

## **Scholarship Program**

### **Purpose:**

The purpose of this program is to provide a scholarship award to an eligible child or an active member of BHVA who is attending an institution of higher learning on a full time basis.

### **Award:**

One (1) scholarship may be awarded to one (1) person selected by the BHVA Scholarship Committee. The award will be used by the selected recipient to help cover tuition fees. The amount of the scholarship is one thousand dollars (\$1000). The award is sent directly to the educational institution. Note: the scholarship committee reserves the right to withhold the awarding of the scholarship for any reason.

### **Eligibility:**

1. Applicant must  
**Either** be a member of BHVA in good standing during the current year, AND for the previous two (2) years  
**Or** have a sponsor who is a member of BHVA in good standing during the current year, AND for the previous two (2) years. A sponsor is either a parent, legal guardian, or a grandparent.
2. The applicant must have participated in at least one (1) AVA sanctioned volksmarch in either the current year or within the last two (2) calendar years.

### **Application Procedure**

1. **Application Cover Letter**  
The letter should include a brief explanation of the individual's achievements, educational background, and educational expectations.
2. **Scholarship Application**  
The attached application must be filled out completely.
3. **Essay**  
The applicant must write an essay of approximately 300 words describing his/her volkssporting experiences.
4. **Letters of Recommendation**  
A minimum of two (2) letters of recommendation shall be written by educators, counselors, employers, clergy, etc., with significant knowledge of the applicant's academic achievements and potential for success. These letters are to be submitted by the writer directly to the scholarship committee at the address below.

### **Return completed application and letters of recommendation to:**

BHVA Scholarship Committee  
PO Box 2046  
Rapid City, SD 57709

**Application deadline: March 31**